

Landsat Science Team

Landsat Operations Report

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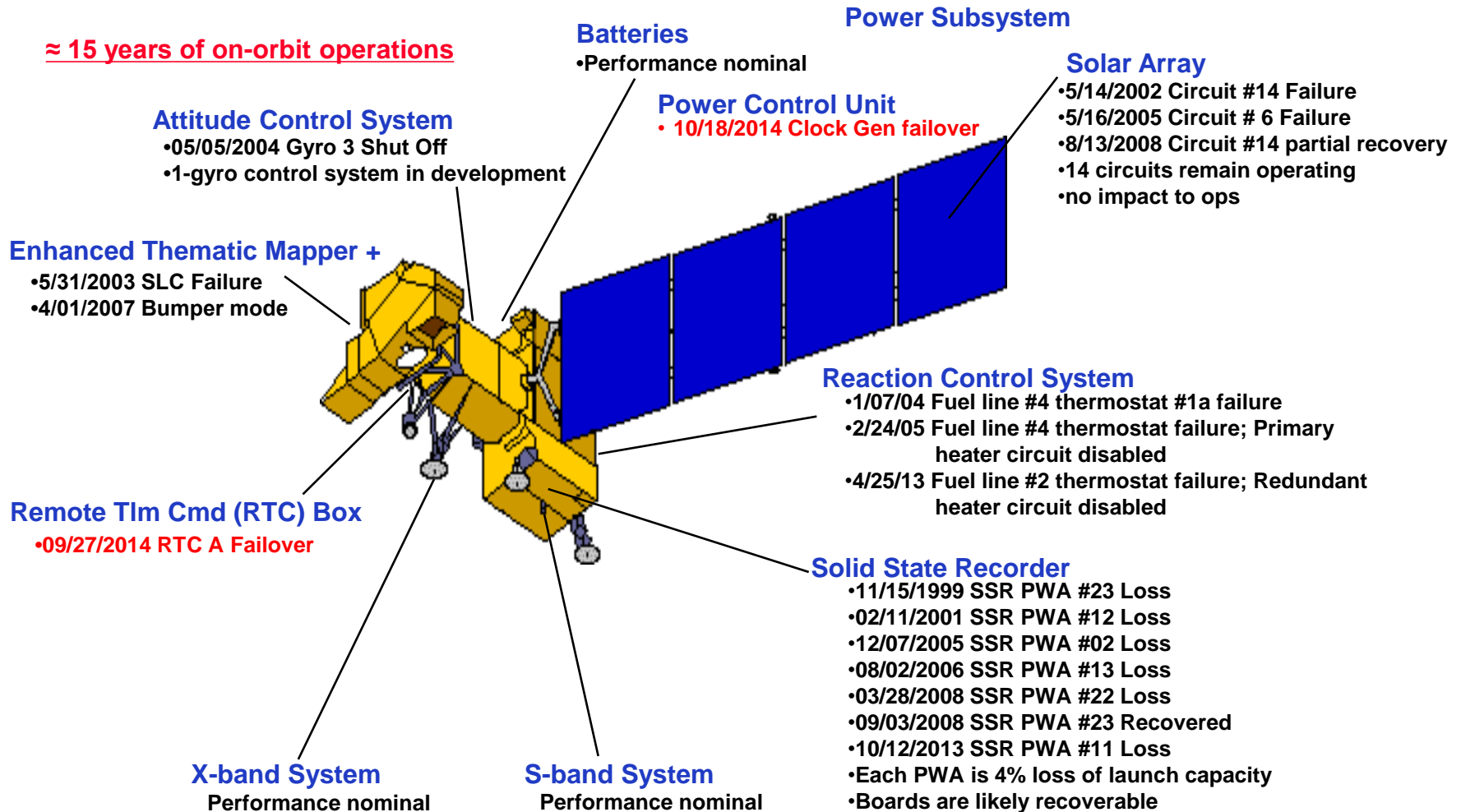
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Agenda

- **L7 Status**
- **L8 Status**

Spacecraft Status: Summary



Landsat 7 Attitude Control Issues

▪ PRADS Resets

- Investigation showed that issue is seasonal due to sparse star catalog
- Four occurrences
 - ♦ 9/17/2014 single reset
 - ♦ 9/21/2015 two resets
 - ♦ 10/3/2014 single reset

▪ Reduced Gyro

- Limited on-board processing for computations
- New 'sparse' processing code delivered and currently being integrated into flight software code. Code is also being scrutinized to see if additional savings in computational load can be found.
- 2 new simulator versions were delivered with updates to the code
- Flight software engineer is working on integrating newest code into flight software and performing testing

Landsat 7 Anomalies

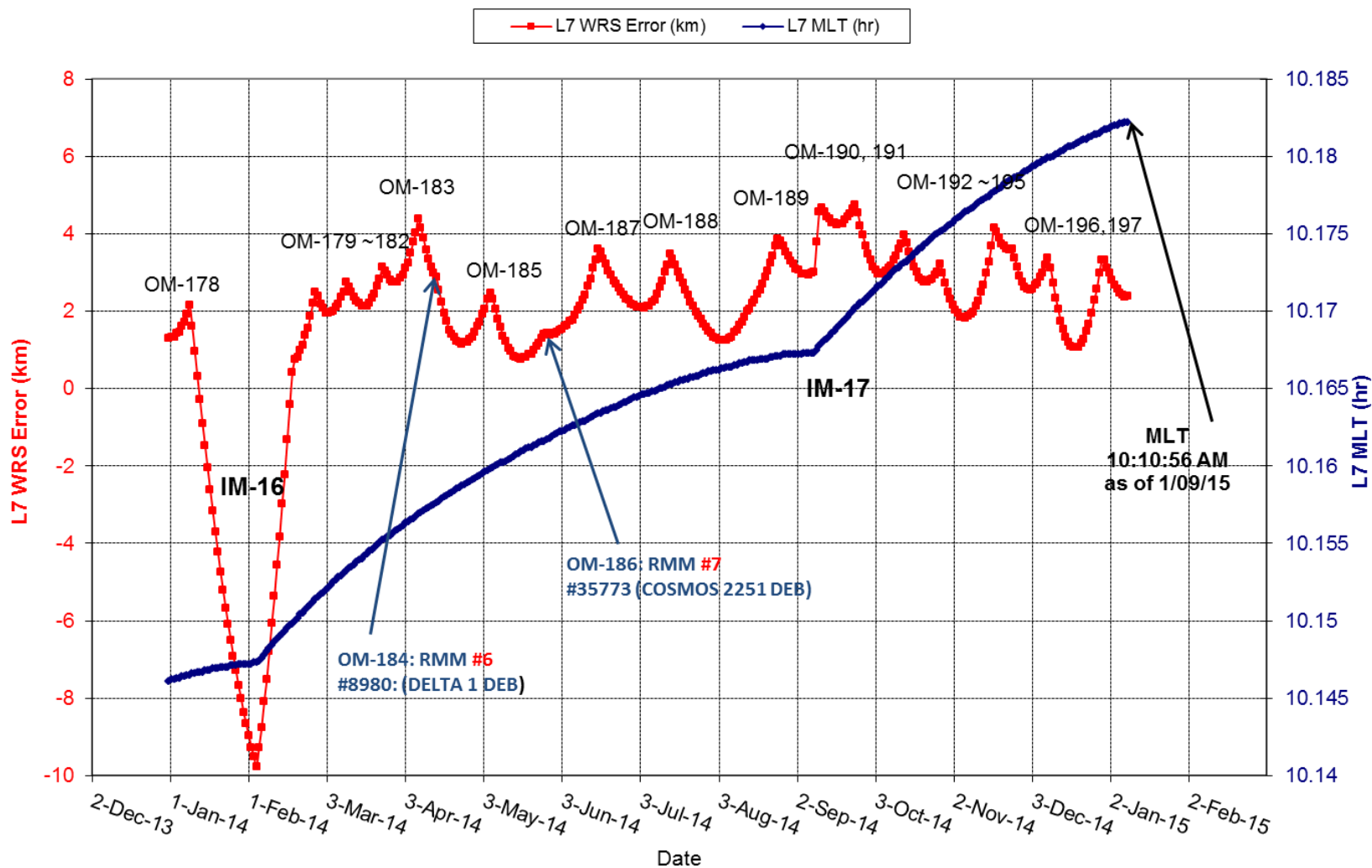
▪ Landsat 7 RTC Anomaly

- On 27 Sep 2014 there were power issues with the primary Remote Telemetry and Command Unit (RTC) and automatically switched to the redundant RTC**
- RTC is a command and telemetry routing box**

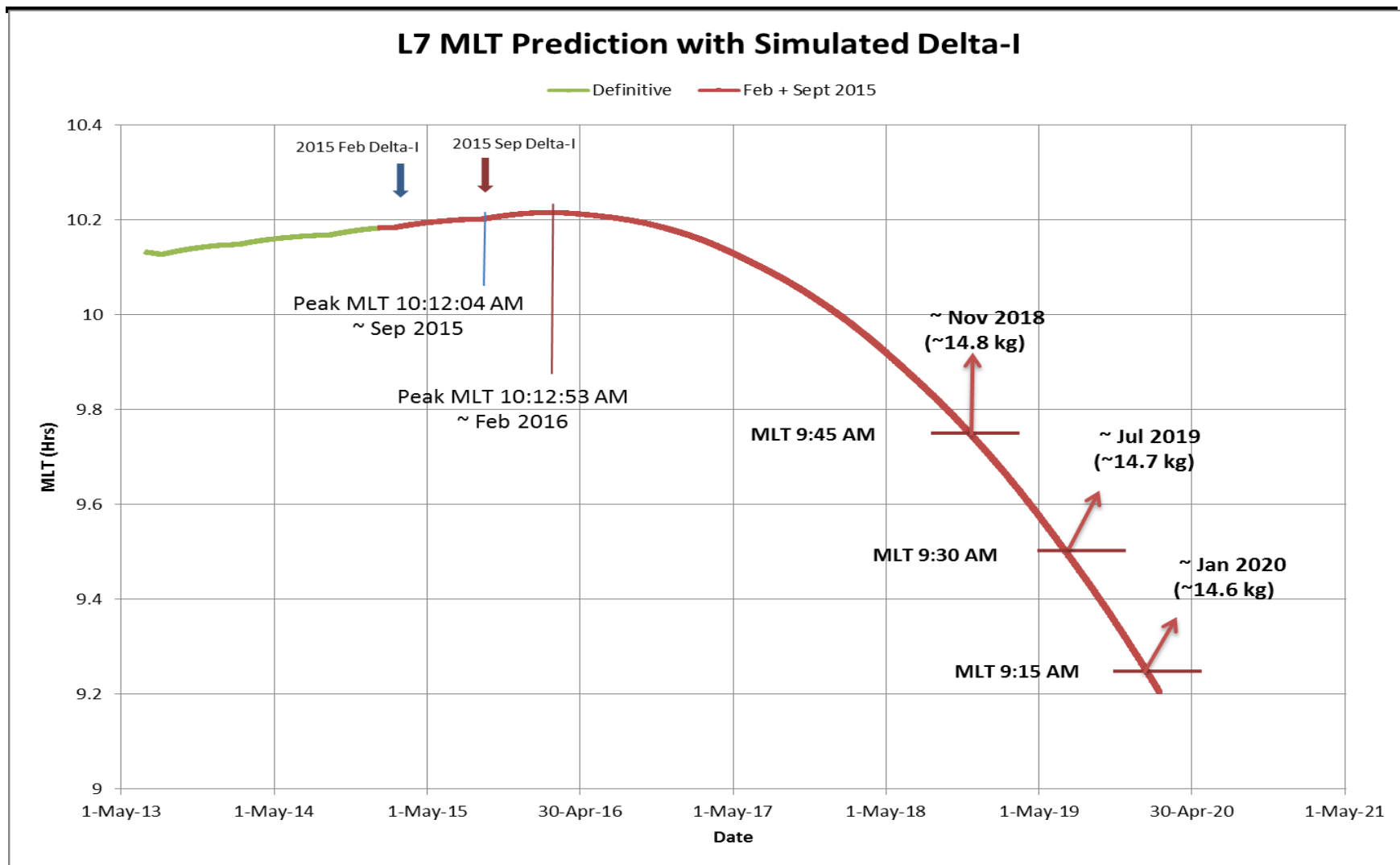
▪ Landsat 7 BVR Anomaly

- On 18 Oct 2014 telemetry indicated that a clock generating circuit for the Boost Voltage Regulator (BVR) in Power Control Unit (PCU) switched from the primary to the redundant**
- Bus Voltage Regulator (BVR) discharges the batteries to boost the bus voltage**

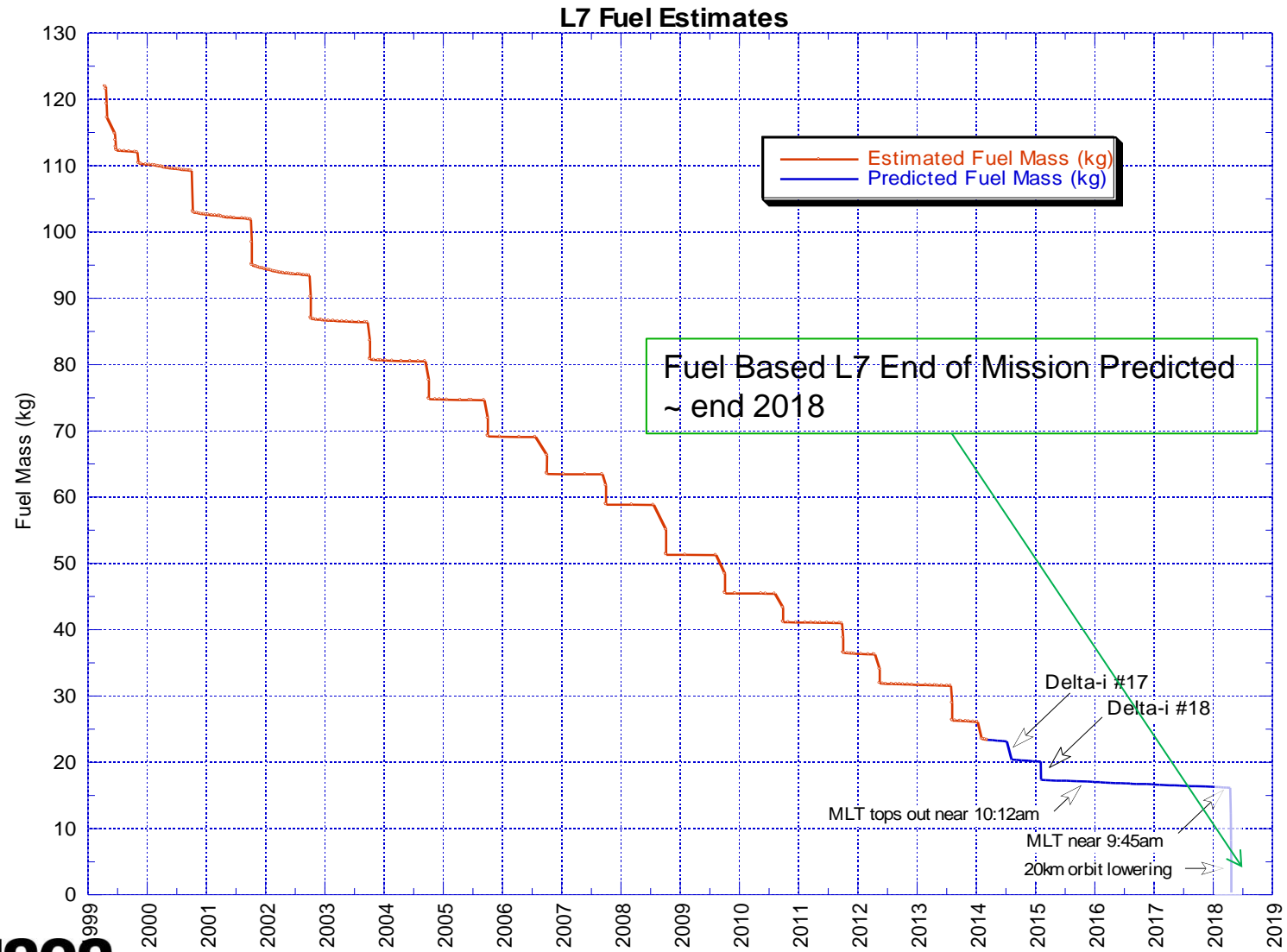
Current L7 WRS Error and MLT



L7 MLT Prediction



Landsat 7 Fuel Usage and Prediction

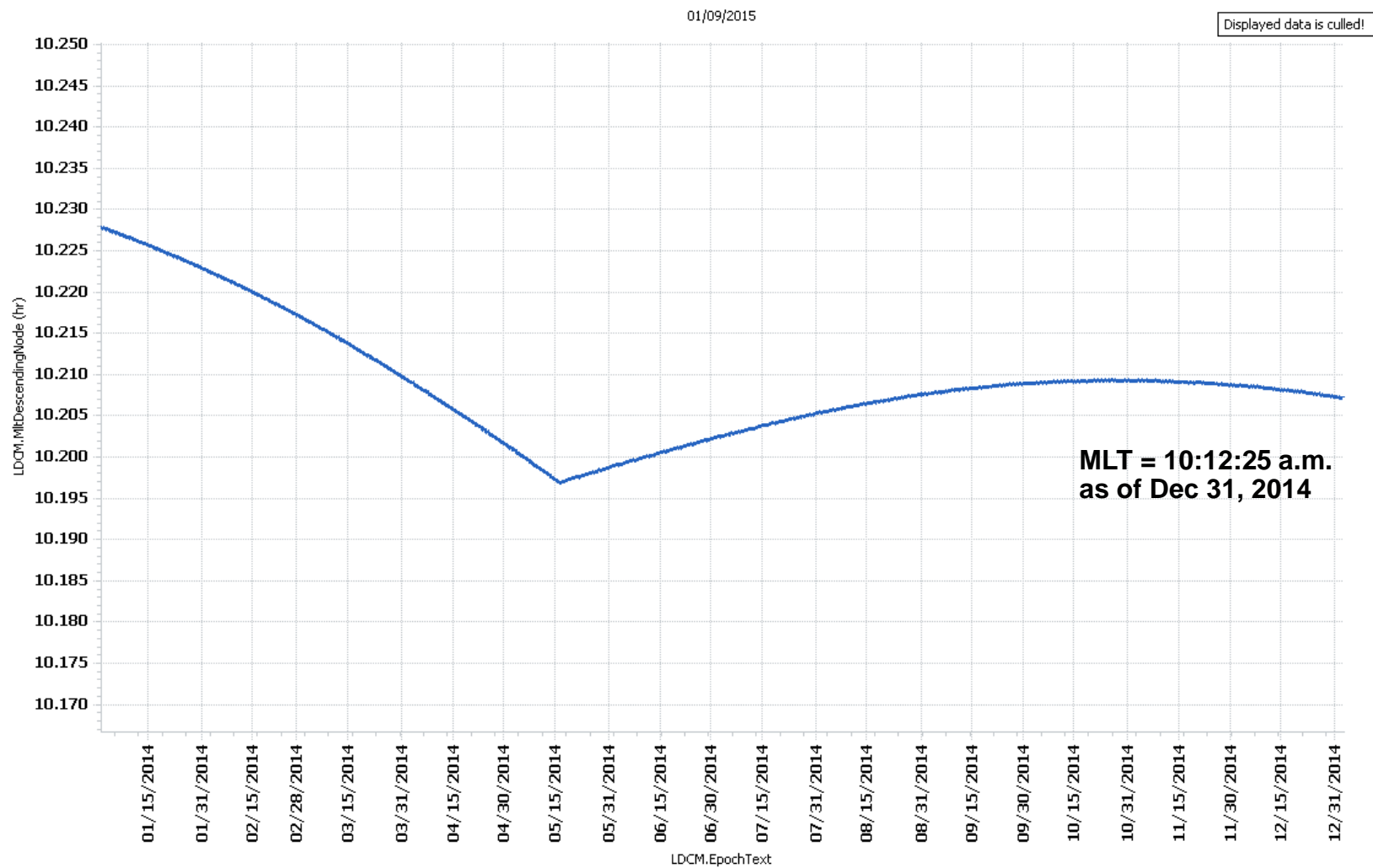


Landsat 8 Spacecraft Status



Landsat 8 MLT

Jan 1, 2014 through Dec 31, 2014



Landsat 8 Image Collection Rate Increase

- **Goal: determine the Number of Landsat 8 Images Per Day**
 - Landsat science community requests increased acquisition of sun-lit land images beyond the current average of 550 scenes/day
 - Current “budget” also includes
 - Night requests 6 images/night or 2 paths (volcano, special, and calibration requests)
 - Ocean campaigns average 25 images per day
 - In addition to the 550 an average 30/day flywheel scenes are collected for increased efficiency
 - Ascending sun-lit rows (~164 images/day potential) excluded – special requests accepted
 - Up to average of 550 scenes per day has been demonstrated as supportable since June 2013
 - Impact on satellite and satellite component life is negligible
 - Impact on Ground System is minor
- **Result**
 - Incrementally increased collection rate to nominally 725 scenes/day
 - Decision to remain at 725 scenes/day 11/13/2014



TIRS SSM Encoder Summary

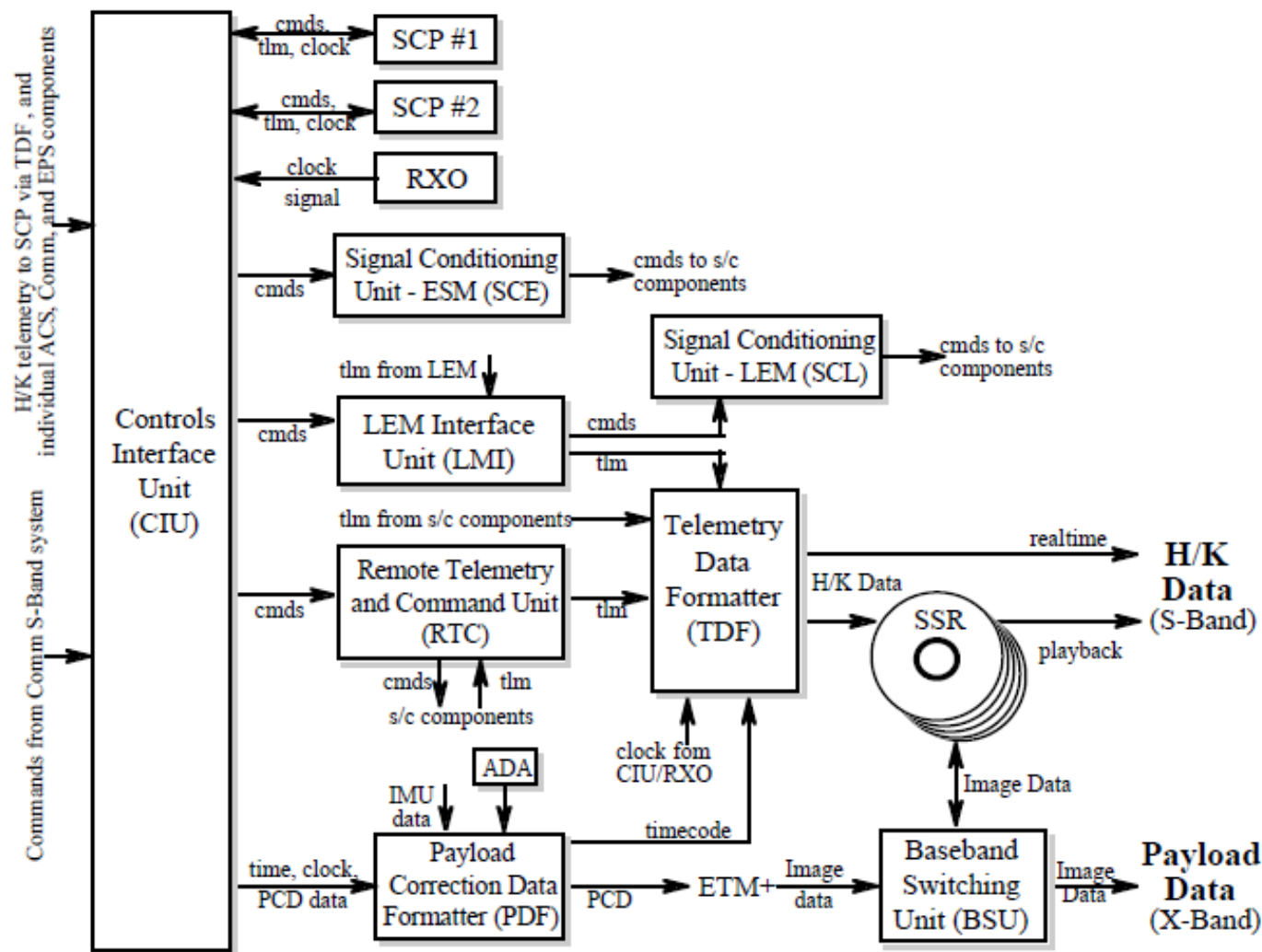
- In the fall of 2014 a deviation in a Mechanism Control Electronics (MCE) current was noted. Over the first year of the mission the MCE current had been stable, however starting mid-2014 the current had begun to display a noisy signature.
- Beginning in October 2014 a steady unexpected increase in current magnitude was observed. (see next slide)
- An Anomaly Resolution Board (ARB) was convened to determine the root cause and assess any hazard to the TIRS instrument.
- Based on thermal and current trends, electronics in the TIRS encoder are not behaving as expected. There has been no observed degradation in the performance of the instrument.
- Prior to launch the MCE current limits were defined based on predicted nominal circuitry degradation. The yellow limit was revised to a higher absolute threshold (from -0.075 A to -0.08 A) as the issue progressed and that threshold was reached on December 19, 2014.
- More information in afternoon session

Reference Information

Landsat 7 RTC Anomaly

- On 27 Sep 2014 Failure Detection and Correction (FDAC) software detected power issues with the primary Remote Telemetry and Command Unit (RTC) and automatically switched to the redundant RTC
- RTC is a command and telemetry routing box
 - Determine cause
 - In-depth study of telemetry and trends
 - Reach out to other missions using similar equipment from manufacturer
 - Failure of RTC or single event
 - Determine whether or not this represents a loss of redundancy
- Science data downlinks suspended for two days while ensuring spacecraft health & safety and preliminary investigation
- Three onboard stored command sequences used for safing the s/c in an attitude or power anomaly were made INVALID so they could not be executed by FSW. These sequences will be changed on the ground, reloaded, and made VALID again to fully restore the onboard safing mechanisms.
- Working on changes to the onboard FSW FDAC configuration are expected in response to the new hardware configuration.

Landsat 7 Telemetry & Command Flow



Landsat 7 BVR Anomaly

- On 18 Oct 2014 telemetry indicated that a clock generating circuit for the Boost Voltage Regulator (BVR) in Power Control Unit (PCU) switched from the primary to the redundant
 - The PCU regulates the spacecraft bus to 28 ± 0.56 volts by battery charging, discharging and shunting solar array power.
 - The control devices internal to the PCU are:
 - Battery Charge Regulator (BCR) - a V/T controlled charger for the batteries
 - **Bus Voltage Regulator (BVR) - discharges the batteries to boost the bus voltage**
 - Mode Controller (MC) - operates the BCR, BVR, and Shunt Drive Assembly (SDA) to maintain the 28V bus regulation.
- No interruption to operations and no response from FOT was necessary
- No indication of faults in telemetry prior to switch and no change to any telemetry after change (except circuit Prime/Backup indicator)
- This switch is currently under investigation

Landsat 7 Data Loss

- **July 106 scenes**
- **Aug 113 scenes**
- **Sep 172 scenes**
- **Oct 123 scenes**
- **Nov 218 scenes**
 - **Australian station (ASN) scheduling system issue**
 - **Norwegian (SG) station software fault**
- **Dec 127 scenes**
- **All due to various expected ground station issues**